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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Lee Stratton was shot and killed by Bob Nixon, at Barnett, Ga. —— The Fries syndicate has secured an option on the Cawthorn and Estelle cotton mills at Selma, Ala. —— Mrs. Mary Benedict shot and killed herself at Baltimore yesterday. —— The House passed the Philippine constabulary bill; the Senate discussed the Vest resolution for removing the duty on anthracite coal. —— The Interstate Commerce Commission continued its hearing in Charlotte of complainis of alleged discrimination in freight rates. —— There is a reasonable prospect that the Venezuelan question can be settled without the aid of The Hague tribunal. —— In a rear-end collision of passenger trains, near Ada, Ohio, last night, three passengers were killed and others were injured. —— The reported purchase of control of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad by the Baltimore & Ohio is officially confirmed. —— Six hundred people in Berlin banqueted entirely on horse meat, served in various forms. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 3½@5 per cent., closing offered at 4 per cent.; cotton quiet at 8 90c; flour moderately active and steadier; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 80½c; corn—spot firm; No. 2, 57½c; rosin firm; strained, common to good, $1 95; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 8.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 35 degrees; 8 P. M., 36 degrees; maximum, 50 degrees; minimum, 35 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 04; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 1.67.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Wednesday 20 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—For North Carolina: Fair Friday; Saturday, rain, with rising temperature; fresh west winds, becoming favorable.

Port Almanac—January 9.

Sun Rises	7.10 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.06 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 55 M.
High Water at Southport	3.30 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	6.00 A. M.

Hugh Armstrong, of Syracuse, N. Y., was fined for swatting his sister on the head with a framed motto, which read, "Peace on Earth and Good Will to Men," because there wasn't any poker handy.

According to the estimates of the statistician of the U. S. Department of Agriculture the value of the principal farm crops raised in this country last year, not including cotton or fruits, is $2,617,895,416.

It isn't only the seaboard cities that are suffering from a shortage of coal. In Pottsville, Pa., right in the heart of the anthracite region the people are suffering for coal, with millions of tons under their feet.

If China doesn't pay up according to demand it will be an excuse for some of the European powers to go in and slice off another chunk of real estate. And poor old moth-eaten China with her 400,000,000 of population will have to grin and bear it.

According to British statistics there is a decrease in Great Britain in in the number of deaths from cancer. The remarkable statement is made that there were comparatively few fatal cases before 1855. The greatest mortality was between 1855 and 1865.

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Sun* says the President is threatening Senators and Representatives with an extra session of Congress if they do not pass some anti-trust measure during this session.

As a result of the visit of Dr. Lorenz to this country we are to have two hospitals for the treatment of crippled children, according to his method, one in New York and one in Chicago, both endowed and to be supported by wealthy men.

And now we are going to have floating newspaper plants. One of the big ocean liners has made a contract with the Marconi company for wireless dispatch service and will print a daily newspaper on board for circulation among its passengers, and for wayfaring vessels it may meet or pass.

It wasn't the ups and downs he experienced that drove the pilot of an elevator in one of the big Chicago department stores crazy, but the questions popped at him by the throngs of bargain hunting women that he piloted up and down. Poor fellow, he had to stand it all alone.

THE SLOT MACHINES.

Suppression of Alleged Gambling Devices Undertaken Yesterday by Grand Jury.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Term That Was Expected to Be Completed in Afternoon Held Over for Presentment of Bills--Important Civil Matter Heard.

But for the development of a desire upon the part of the grand jury to correct the slot machine evil, the Superior Court would probably have adjourned yesterday afternoon.

All cases on the trial docket have been disposed of and the court found itself after the dinner recess yesterday, in the rather extraordinary attitude of quietly holding its hands and waiting upon the preparation downstairs of bills that are understood to be directed against the thirty-odd operators of music boxes in the city, which have the wheel attachment for dumping nickles on the "red, black, green or white," or with whatever colors Dame Fortune is disposed to smile upon the gay and festive depositor of a nickle in the slot. What progress was made in the preparation of the bills of indictment is, of course, unknown; but the number of presentments, from the personnel and number of witnesses that awaited their turn at the grand jury room door during the afternoon, must be large. What method of attack the court will employ in the suppression of these alleged gambling devices will probably come to light when business is resumed this morning. In any event it is expected that the term will adjourn this afternoon.

Most of the morning session was taken up with the case of A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. W. H. Alderman and A. J. Flanner, trading as Alderman & Flanner, reference to which has already been made in these columns. It was a motion lodged some time ago by Flanner to vacate a judgment now held by E. K. Bryan. The case was continued from last Tuesday, for which day it was originally set. The affidavits and records introduced showed that a judgment for $18,527.76 against the firm of Alderman & Flanner, together with other choses in action held by the defunct bank against various parties amounting in the aggregate to over $150,000 were several years ago sold by Homer J Clark, who succeeded A. G. Ricaud as receiver, to E. K. Bryan, for $59. By a recent decision of the Supreme Court, A. J. Flanner has been declared the owner of certain valuable real estate, and the proceeding yesterday was indirectly the outcome of an effort made recently to charge this property with the judgment. The motion made yesterday was to vacate the judgment in so far as it affected A. J. Flanner individually. The motion was allowed and the judgment as to A. J. Flanner, individually, was declared void. The facts found by the court set out that E. K. Bryan was the attorney of A. G. Ricaud, receiver, and afterwards of Homer J. Clark, and was attorney at the time the judgment was drawn, and that the judgment was drafted by him; that no service had ever been made on A. J. Flanner, in the suit in which the judgment was rendered, nor had Flanner ever put in an appearance either in person or by attorney. That while the judgment recites that service had been made upon A. J. Flanner, the return of the sheriff, the other records in the case, and the affidavit of A. J. Flanner rebutted the presumption raised by the recital.

The court taxed E. K. Bryan with the costs. Notice of appeal was given.

Mr. Bryan was represented by Davis & Davis and argued in his own behalf. A. J. Flanner was represented by Messrs. George Rountree, H. L. Stevens, George L. Peschau and C. D. Weeks.

Court met as usual at 10 A. M. yesterday and the sheriff returned the jurors ordered summoned for the day with the exception of J. T. Kerr, James R. Mathis, Robt. W. Bordeaux, Thos. Lawther and J. N. Sherman, who were not found. A. S. Heide and Thos. R. Post were excused. The following cases appear on the clerk's docket as having been disposed of:

Geo. W. Beaman, injury to personal property; submitted; judgment suspended on payment of costs and $8 into the court.

Emanuel Silvey, affray; appeal from Mayor; verdict not guilty.

Sadie Carter, cruelty to animals; judgment of a penny and costs, entered on Monday, stricken out and defendant fined $20, same to be stricken out upon payment of $4.70, value of chicken killed by defendant.

Foster Williams, affray and carrying concealed weapon; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

Balaam Johnson, affray at Angola lumber mill; judgment changed so that defendant may pay a fine of $25 and costs in both cases within five days and be discharged by the sheriff.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Carolina Ins. Co.—Meeting.
The Worth Co.—Seed potatoes.
W. B. Cooper—Tobacco fertilizer.
Murchison National Bank—Meeting.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

D. Glisson & Co.—Notice.
Lost—Package containing money.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas radiator.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

FINANCES OF THE COUNTY.

Auditing Board of County Commissioners in Session Yesterday--The Report of Treasurer Green for December.

The Auditing Committee of the Board of County County Commissioners met at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and transacted routine business. Members in attendance were Chairman D. McEachern and Messrs. Gabriel Holmes and H. L. Voliers. The Treasurer's report, which was examined and found correct, shows receipts and disbursements of the several public funds as follows:

Receipts—Balance on hand, general fund, $16,061.98; special fund, $1,279.82; road fund, $23,863.50; road sinking fund, $275.40; jury tax, $6.00; error in warrant, .02; general property tax, $9,621.48; special county tax, $3,000; road sinking fund, $3,000; marriage licenses, $46.55; bank taxes, $147.93; rents, $21; sale of road material, $75. Total, $55,298 63.

Disbursements—Warrants paid, out door poor, $300.69; roads and bridges, $300.90; Walker Memorial Hospital, $400; Superior Court, $1,050 30; public buildings, $182 98; County Home, $147; jail, $173 10; election, $80.75; refunded taxes, $95 09; stationery and advertising, $20.55; magistrates, $25.45; County Commissioners, $133.40; Register of Deeds, $31.65; Attorney, $225; Superintendent of Health, $100; coroner, $25; clerk, $50; janitor, $45; county roads, $1,073.68; treasurer's commissions, general county fund, $164 11; on special county fund, $25; on New Hanover sinking fund, $25. Balance, $50,823.98.

The balance on hand to the general county fund is $22,453.94; special fund, $3,254.82; road fund, $22,864 82; sinking fund, $2,250.40.

FIRE AT STEVENSON RESIDENCE.

Library, Furniture and Building Damaged More Than $1,000 Last Night.

A few minutes past 12 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the library of the residence of Mr. J. C. Stevenson, No. 409 South Third street. An alarm was sent in from box 46, Third and Nun streets, and the fire department succeeded in confining the fire to the room in which the flames originated, although the wind was blowing a perfect gale and the weather was bitter cold. A number of valuable books and papers were destroyed and the loss will probably be more than a thousand dollars, which is, however, covered by insurance.

The origin of the fire is unknown.

Rev. C. Boldt Critically Ill.

A private telegram from Dr. Maybank, of St. Francis Infirmary, Charleston, S. C., last night gives the condition of Rev. C. Boldt as extremely critical. He is suffering with appendicitis and other complications. Mr. Boldt was a few years ago pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, of this city, and is held in high esteem here. He is now pastor of St. Kohannes' church at Charleston, a congregation he organized some time before accepting the call from St. Paul's church. On account of overbearing entreaties from that church he returned to Charleston, making considerable sacrifice by so doing. He is an able minister and a scholar of the highest standard and it is sincerely hoped that he will soon recover his good health.

Re-Arrested for Abandonment.

Foster Williams, the young negro who was let off in the Superior Court yesterday upon the payment of costs for engaging in a pistol duel with Balaam Johnson at the Angola lumber mill some time ago, was re-arrested upon his discharge, by Sheriff Stedman on a warrant from Whiteville, Columbus county, charging him with abandonment of his wife, Hattie Williams. If the costs in the cases here against Williams are paid, he will be sent to Whiteville for trial.

Capt. Corbett Retired.

Capt. William F. Corbett, the veteran Pullman conductor, has received notice of his retirement and pension for life by the company, after a service of 30 years. There are only three men in the United States who have been in the service longer than Capt. Corbett. One of these is Capt. S. Y. Bunting and both he and Capt. Corbett are held in the highest esteem by their employers and the general public.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Dutch steamer *Zeesburg*, hence for Savannah, passed out at Southport at 10 A. M. yesterday.

— Rev. J. L. Vipperman will conduct the 5 o'clock Sabbath afternoon services at the Y. M. C. A. during January.

— Justice Bornemann last night at 9 o'clock officiated at the marriage of Geo. H. Davis and Miss Molly Johnson.

— The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Camp, U. C. V., will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the W. L. I. armory.

— The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Murchison National Bank will be held Tuesday, Jan. 13th, at 11 o'clock.

— Sunday advertisers will confer a great favor on the STAR by sending in their favors to-day or Friday forenoon. Several times we have failed to get off our Northern mails on Sundays on account of the rush of advertisements Saturdays.

— Mr. Fred R. Mintz, a clever and capable young man who has been with the paper several years, has taken charge of the local and business departments of the Southport *Standard* and it comes this week much improved in appearance by its new form.

COMMERCE CHAMBER.

Reformatory for Youthful Criminals and Fowler Currency Bill Discussed.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING.

Movement by King's Daughters in State Heartily Endorsed—Report from Greensboro Traffic Meeting. New Steamboat Line.

Endorsement of a movement in North Carolina by the King's Daughters and Sons for the establishment by the State of a reformatory for white boys; consideration of the Fowler Currency Bill, now pending in Congress, and the hearing of a very interesting report from Secretary James Kyle, who attended the recent meeting of business men in Greensboro for the purpose of taking action in regard to alleged freight rate discrimination, were the principal features of yesterday afternoon's regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, held at 3:30 o'clock.

President Chadbourn in calling the Chamber to order stated that Mr. Kyle had attended the Greensboro meeting and would later address the body, which he did, giving in condensed form what was accomplished by those in attendance at Greensboro. The matter of appointing two business men of Wilmington to represent the city on the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards of Trade, formed at Greensboro, was referred to the Executive council of the Chamber.

The matter of the Fowler Currency Bill was introduced by Mr. J. A. Arringdale, chairman of the Chamber Committee on Legislation, at whose request Mr. M. W. Jacobi read a special from Washington, under date of Dec. 17th to the New York *Journal of Commerce*, bearing upon the question. The dispatch stated that the bill had been prepared at the request of Republican conferees and approved by Republican members of the House Banking Committee. The bill has since that time been reported favorably to the House and will likely become law at this session of Congress. The measure in brief provides for an issue of 25 per cent. of the capital of any bank in the form of notes without bond deposit, but with a guaranty fund of 5 per cent. to be held in the Treasury and returned to the bank when the notes are retired. This fund may consist of U. S. bonds or of gold. A tax of one-half of one per cent. annually is imposed upon the notes in average circulation during the six months preceding, and this tax is added to the 5 per cent. guaranty fund. The peculiarity of the bill is found in its redemption provisions. The notes are receivable by the government except for duties on imports, and may be paid out again. They are redeemable in gold at the issuing bank and by a redemption agent in any one of the three redemption districts, which will centre about New York, Chicago and San Francisco.

Mr. Arringdale said the Legislative Committee had given the matter some consideration and he desired to report favorably upon its endorsement. Mr. H. C. McQueen, who was called upon, said he had read the bill and found it not so cumbersome as others, but that he thought the Chamber was not familiar enough with it to vote intelligibly upon its endorsement. He suggested that more study be given to the provisions of the law and the suggestion, after remarks by Mr. M. S. Willard, Mr. W. E. Worth and others, was adopted, members in the meantime having been urged to acquaint themselves with the subject.

Mr. Arringdale also called attention to the alleged evils of the compulsory pilotage law and made a local application of the matter. He thought the charges in effect at Wilmington exorbitant and cited an instance of a large four-masted schooner that came to Mr. R. W. Hicks sometime ago, laden with molasses and upon which the pilotage and towage charges were over $600. He said in his opinion all the way from $30,000 to $50,000 is paid out for towage and pilotage here every year. Mr. Arringdale asked for no action by the Chamber but said that a suit now pending in Norfolk and previously referred to in the press dispatches, would probably open an avenue of relief for all American ports.

The reformatory matter was introduced by the reading of a petition to the Legislature from the King's Daughters and Sons of the State, asking for an appropriation for a reformatory for white boys, accompanied by a letter to President Chadbourn from Miss Serena Chadbourn, asking that the petition be read before the body, receive its valuable endorsement as a whole, of the Legislative Committee in particular, and also that it receive the personal signatures of members. Miss Chadbourn is a member of the committee appointed at the annual State Convention of the North Carolina Branch of the International Order of King's Daughters and Sons, held at Raleigh last May and which decided to make a reformatory for white boys their State work. Miss Chadbourn is authorized by the chairman of the committee to secure all possible influence to this end and to be the custodian of any money that may be contributed.

Miss Chadbourn's committee as a whole is as follows: Mrs. Wm. H. S. Burgwyn, Weldon, chairman; Mrs. T. J. Jarvis, Mrs. A. L. Blow, Mrs. J. B. Cherry, Greenville; Mrs. Wm. H. S. Overman, Salisbury; Mrs. Henry Perry, Mrs. J. H. Bridgers, Henderson; Mrs. F. A. Olds, Mrs. T. H. Briggs, Raleigh; Mrs. I. H. Hall, Southern Pines; Miss Serena Chadbourn, Wilmington.

Upon motion of Mr. T. D. Meares, who spoke in high favor of the reformatory, the petition of the King's Daughters for the establishment of a reformatory was unanimously endorsed. Each member present took occasion to add his personal approval of the effort by suitable remarks. Mr. W. E. Worth recited the instance of a boy 18 years of age, who was caught in the act of stealing $37.50 from his office several years ago. The case went to the criminal court and before he would suffer the young man to go to the penitentiary among hardened criminals, he withdrew the indictment. Mr. H. C. McQueen, Mr. C. C. Brown, Mr. M. S. Willard, Capt. W. P. Oldham, Mr. J. A. Arringdale, Mr. M. W. Jacobi and others spoke in favor of the measure.

The Harbor Shipping and Commerce Committee was requested to look into the matter of inducing the government to spend the money already available for the purpose of dredging the shoal at the mouth of New river. When the work is completed it is understood that a steamboat will be put in regular operation between Wilmington and Jacksonville, N. C.

The Executive Committee of the Chamber was instructed to purchase a post route map of North and South Carolina for the walls of the rooms.

ABOUT "THE VILLAGE POSTMASTER."

Central Figure a Character Often Met in Twentieth Century Times.

"The Village Postmaster," which enjoyed a run at the 14th Street Theatre, New York, of 327 nights, and 100 nights in Boston, and has just concluded a run of 125 nights in Chicago, where it was the big success of the past season, will come to the Academy next Wednesday night.

"The Village Postmaster" promises exceedingly well. It is a picture of rural New England life as it was lived during the administration of Franklin Pierce. The central figure is a local mail official who is also the general store keeper, the captain of the militia, perpetual candidate for minor political honors, and in short a sort of poo-bah of the town. The story begins on the morning of Training Day, a time familiar to the elder generation, when every law-abiding citizen was compelled to assemble for drill. Every line in the piece is said to be true to life.

There will be no advance in prices, save that all seats down stairs will be $1.00. The advance sale will commence at Plummer's next Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock.

Rats and Matches Caused a Blaze.

At 5:23 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm of fire from box 45 called the department to the residence of Mr. E. H. Sneed, No. 415 South Front street. Between the ceiling and floor under a closet in a bed room on the second floor, rats are supposed to have started a fire from matches in a collection of paper, nuts and other articles, that were carried there by the industrious little quadrupeds and found by the firemen when the flames were extinguished. The damage is about $150, covered by insurance with Col. Walker Taylor. A lady visitor at the home of Mr. Sneed lost several articles of wearing apparel.

Negro With a Big Pistol.

Z. Murray, colored, created no end of excitement at Fourth and Harnett streets yesterday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock by flourishing indiscriminately a huge pistol, which he had just purchased and which was full of ugly-looking balls. The negro also carried in his hand a box of cartridges. He was arrested by Police Sergeant Woollard and locked up at the station house for trial to-day. The negro said he had just bought the pistol and didn't want to put it in his pocket for fear of arrest for carrying concealed weapons.

Maj. Gen. Moorman's Successor.

Gen. Jno. B. Gordon, commanding the U. C. V. has called a meeting of his Staff Executive Committee to be held in New Orleans on the 10th inst., to consider the question of filling either permanently or temporarily the vacancy caused by the death of Maj Gen. Geo. Moorman, his adjutant and chief of staff. Wilmington's esteemed townsman, Col W. J. Woodward, Commander of Cape Fear Camp, U. C. V., is a member of Gen. Gordon's staff.

Elks Will Give Minstrel Show.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the Wilmington Lodge of Elks last night the matter of giving an Elk Minstrel in the Academy of Music in the near future was discussed and referred to the Amusement Committee of which Mr. Jno. J. Fowler is chairman. The committee subsequently met in the parlors of the Temple and definitely decided to give the show. The details will be arranged by the committee later.

To Regulate Liquor Traffic.

The STAR is requested to make the following announcement: "Those interested in legislation for the best regulation of the liquor traffic will meet in conference at the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. to-night at 8 o'clock to prepare plans for a mass meeting of voters to be held one week from to-night. Let men who are in earnest, come to the front."

Standard Oil Barge Here.

Standard Oil barge No. 57, Capt. Hanson, in tow of the Savannah tug *Abram Minis*, Capt. Avery, arrived yesterday morning from Philadelphia with a supply of oil for the local branch of the Standard Oil Company in this city. The tug and barge will proceed to Charleston this morning.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Transmitted to Both Houses of General Assembly at Raleigh Yesterday.

SENATE COMMITTEES NAMED.

Liquor Question Tackled Immediately. Two Bills in Senate—Lower House Took a Hand in South Dakota Bond Case—Other Notes.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 8.—Both branches of the General Assembly convened for the second day's session at 11 o'clock. The Governor's message was received and read simultaneously in both houses, requiring more than two hours. A joint resolution was adopted, ordering 1,000 copies printed for distribution. [A synopsis of the message is printed on the second page of the STAR to-day.]

Bills of note introduced in the Senate: To raise revenue by imposing a tax of 55 cents per gallon on liquors manufactured or sold in the State, by Reinhardt. To confine manufacture and sale of liquor to incorporated towns and impose State and County tax of $500 on each, by Justice.

The Senate committees were announced by Lieutenant Governor Turner, the chairmen being as follows:

Propositions and Grievances—C. S. Vann.
Privileges and Elections—R. B. McLaurin.
Claims—D. J. Aaron.
Judiciary—J. E. Woodard.
Internal Improvements—A. A. Hicks.
Education—J. S. Henderson.
Military Affairs—H. N. Pharr.
Agriculture—Geo. H. Bellamy.
Banks and Currency—R. I. Walker.
Corporations—E. L. Travis.
Finance—H. A. London.
Insurance—R. B. White.
Penal Institutions—T. D. Warren.
Salaries and Fees—U. L. Spence.
Engrossing—R. F. Beasley.
Deaf and Dumb Asylums—H. E. Norris.
Insane Asylums—J. D. Glenn.
Federal Relations—C. W. Mitchell.
Fish and Fisheries—S. S. Mann.
Pensions and Soldiers' Home—J. F. Reinhardt.
Railroads and Railroad Commission—E. J. Justice.
Public Roads—J. P. Allison.
Counties, Cities and Towns—J. P. Allison.
Public Health—J. A. Pollock.
Mining—Jas. H. Cathy.
Election Laws—Don. Gilliam.
Constitution Amendments—A. J. Burton.
Shell Fish Commission—J. A. Spruill.
Rules—J. A. Brown.
Appropriations—F. T. Baldwin.
Judicial Districts—A. L. Blow.
Library—N. M. Thayer.
Justices of the Peace—A. A. Hicks.
Public Buildings and Grounds—Jas. M. Lamb.
Trustees of the State University—W. N. Pritchard.
Engrossing Bills—C. A. Webb.

House committees are not yet announced.

In the House, a bill (by Graham, of Granville, to extend the time for settling bonds of the class now being sued for by South Dakota, on old compromise basis, to January 1908 was voted down on second reading; then on motion of Morton, it was reconsidered and referred to a committee.

Other bills introduced were: To provide an agricultural building for the A. & M. College, by Scott. To repeal the dispensary law in Union county, by Williams. To incorporate the Merchants' and Farmer' Bank of Winston, by Britton. To incorporate the Bank of Kernersville, by McCall.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 8.—At a joint caucus of Republican members of the Legislature to-night Jeter C. Pritchard was nominated to succeed himself as United States Senator. His record is enthusiastically endorsed. Twenty-three Republicans—19 Representatives and four Senators—participated; also two Populist representatives from Sampson.

As vigorous, but withal the best natured lobbying in the history of the State is now on for the Democratic nomination for Senator, the caucus for which will be held to-morrow night. The general conviction to-night is that one of four candidates—Watson, Overman, Carr, or Craig—will be nominated. Some of the best judges predict that a nomination will be reached by the tenth ballot. Others expect that two or more caucusses will be necessary to settle the fight.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Graham, of Hillsboro, who has been the guest of Miss Jane Meares, returned home yesterday.

— Mrs. R. D. Wescott and little child left yesterday for Goldsboro to join Mr. Wescott, who will travel from that city.

— Friends of Mr. T. H. Thompson will regret to know that he has been confined to his room for some time with yellow jaundice.

— Mr. Frank Turrentine returned yesterday from Southport, where he made an inspection of the Kitson system of street lighting which the Turrentine Light Co. has installed there.

— Mrs. Herbert L. Fowler, of Norfolk, is in the city on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wescott. Mr. Fowler will arrive the latter part of the week to spend a few days.

— Mr. Edgar Child has returned from Columbia, S. C., and resumed his duties as assistant superintendent of the Life Insurance Co., of Virginia. Mr. C. W. Williams, of the Wilmington office, has gone to Columbia to take the assistant superintendency vacated by Mr. Child there.

Oyster Roast This Afternoon.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce are asked not to forget the oyster roast for their benefit at Stokeley's this afternoon. The closed car of the suburban line, which is comfortable in every respect, will leave Front and Princess streets at 3 o'clock and will return at the pleasure of the party. Mr. J. Allen Taylor will be master of ceremonies.

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CRAWFORD SHOES, $3.50.

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615, 617 and 619 North Fourth Street,
Car fare paid on purchases of $2.00 and over. jan 4 tf

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK,

OF WILMINGTON N. C.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders will be held at the Bank Tuesday, January 13th, 1903, at 11 o'clock.

J. V. GRAINGER,
jan 9 tf CASHIER.

AWARDS AT POULTRY SHOW.

Association Has Decided to Continue the Fair Until Saturday Night—Prizes Announced Yesterday.

Considering the weather yesterday the Poultry Show had a very successful day. The number of visitors was large and all were well pleased. On account of the weather and delay in placing rewards the Association has decided to keep the show open until Saturday night—a day longer than was at first expected.

The pet stock awards will be published to-morrow. Those announced last night were as follows:

Single Comb Brown Leghorns—1st cock and hen and 3rd pullet, S. J. Davis; 1st and 2nd pullets and 1st and 2nd cockerels, W. D. Harrill & Co., Ellenboro, N. C; 3rd cockerel, F. L. Huggins.

Black Minorcas—1st, 2nd and 3rd pullets and cockerels and 1st and 3rd pullets, W. H. McEachern; 3rd cockerel and 3rd pullet, W. C. Armstrong.

White Minorcas—1st cock and hen, Geo. B. Harold.

Silver Spangle Hamburg—1st and 2nd pullets, 1st cock and 1st cockerel, W. D. Harrill & Co., Ellenboro, N. C.; 2nd cock and cockerel and 1st and 2nd hens, D. S. Reville; 3rd cock, Independent Poultry Farm; 3rd hen, Reaves & King.

Buff Leghorns—1st and 2nd cocks, 1st, 2nd and 3rd hens, S. J. Davis; 1st and 2nd cockerels, Harrill & Co.; 3rd cockerel, Independent Poultry Farm.

Silver Pencil Hamburg—1st, 2nd and 3rd hens to Sneed Furniture Co.

Red Caps—1st cock, Independent Poultry Farm.

Black Breasted, Red Game Bantams—1st cockerel, 1st cock, 1st and 2nd hens and 1st, 2nd and 3rd pullets, Banks; 2nd cockerel and 3rd hen, Kornegay & Son, Mt. Olive, N. C.

Houdans—1st cock and 1st hen, W. C. Armstrong; 2nd cock, Independent Poultry Farm.

Pekin Ducks—1st, pair, Independent Poultry Yards; 2nd, pair, F. L. Huggins.

Pet Games—War Horse, Shawl Necks, Irish Grays, Gypsies, Black Breasted Game, all to S. J. Davis.

Pearl Guineas—All to S. J. Davis.

Pheasants—All to Henry Jaeger, Florence, S. C.

Silver Seabright Bantams—All to S. J. Davis.

Black Tail Japanese—All to W. D. Harrill & Co., Ellenboro.

Buff Pekin Bantams—All to Henry Jaeger, Florence, S. C.

Black Japanese Bantams, Silkies, White Holland Turkeys, Brown China Geese and Wild Geese—All to S. J. Davis.

Pigeons—All to Henry Jaeger, Florence, S. C.

Dross Neck Disturbers.

Lum Smith, Owen Meredith, Jim Pugh and Henry McArthur, the four negroes arrested for implication in the general fight that took place in Dross Neck Wednesday night, were given choice by the Mayor yesterday of going to the roads for 30 days each or leaving the city for "keeps." With one accord they chose the latter and will shake the dust of Wilmington from their feet in the presence of a police escort to the city limits this morning.

— Mrs. M. Y. McKoy returned yesterday from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. E. N. Farrior, of Charlotte.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the next General Assembly for the passage of an Act granting a charter to the Elizabeth City and Carolina Through Line Railroad Co., (or other name suggested at time of making application) to build a railroad from Wilmington, N. C., to Elizabeth City, N. C.
January 1st, 1903.
jan 2 1m ROBERT G. GRADY.

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The annual meeting of the stockholders will be held at the Company's building on Tuesday, January 20th, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon.

The Board of Directors have today declared a dividend of 3 per cent. payable to stockholders of record on this date.

M. S. WILLARD, Secretary.

RESULT OF BUSINESS IN 1902.

Increase in assets	$ 4 484 46
" " premium receipts	6,601 97
" " re-insurance reserve	8,34 [illegible]
" " net surplus	437 49
Dividends paid during year	3,203 70
" since organization	33,173 60

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10,000 COONS.
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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING JANUARY 9.

ATTACHES NO IMPORTANCE TO IT.

President Roosevelt is quoted as saying that he "attaches no importance to Postmaster Vick's alleged party infidelity." If this be true it is another point scored against Senator Pritchard and a knockout for the "Lily Whites" of this State, as the nomination of Crum in Charleston was a knockout for the "Lily Whites" of South Carolina, if there be any of that hue there. Senator Pritchard based his fight against Vick on his "party infidelity" and refusal to be nose-ringed by him, the first of which he charged was Vick's going back on the Pritchard ticket at the last election, the other being his refusal to vote in the Halifax convention for the congressional candidate that Pritchard had slated and voting for a man he didn't want. These are the only charges made by Pritchard, and if the President doesn't attach any importance to them, what is there to prevent Vick's re-appointment and the lay out of the "Lily Whites?"

After the nomination of Crum in the face of all the opposition there was to it and the universal protest from the white citizens of Charleston, there is nothing at all improbable in the re-appointment of Vick, which the President could more consistently do and defend than he could the nomination of Crum, who was a new man, without experience, and consequently no record of service, while Vick has served some years and according to reports sent Washington to faithfully and efficiently.

While the white citizens of Wilson would, of course, prefer to have a respectable white man in that office those of them whose opinions have been asked and who take any interest in that matter have not hesitated to testify to the efficient service of Vick, while not committing themselves as asking for his re-appointment, leaving the outcome to those who are squabbling over it. But taken in connection with the appointment of Crum, if this quotation from the President, that he attaches no importance to Vick's party infidelity, be true, it looks as if Vick is on top and Pritchard the under fellow in the rumpus. The powers that be don't seem to be headed in the "Lily White" direction; on the contrary, just the other way.

WATCH THE PENSIONS.

The pension system has become one of the burning questions in the State of Georgia, where the annual appropriations have reached something like $800,000, and threaten soon to reach the $1,000,000 mark. Some of the thoughtful citizens and leading papers of that State are beginning to call a halt, not because they are opposed to pensions, or to paying pensions to those who are needy and may be helped by them, but on account of the tendency to extravagance and the granting of pensions to the many who are in comfortable circumstances and do not need them, of which class, from all accounts, there are many. It has grown into an abuse in that State because there was politics in it and few public men cared to attack it for fear they would be charged with being opposed to pensioning the soldier, or those he left dependent, and thus the abuse grew unopposed and the expenditures increased from year to year until they have reached an enormous sum for one State.

With us here in North Carolina it has not become a burning question yet, but the pension list is growing, the expenditures are growing and there is danger that a if watch be not kept upon it that it will become a burning question. The following figures from the last report of the State auditor show how the list and the expenditures have increased:

The pension roll for 1900 showed the total number of pensioners to be 6,072, classified as follows:

First class received	$58.00 each
Second class received	43.00 each
Taird class received	29.00 each
Fourth class received	14.50 each
Widows received	14.50 each

Making the total amount for general pensions $112,230.

The number of special pensioners was 57. Each receiving $120, making a total of $119,070.

The pension roll for 1901 shows an addition of 2,439 pensioners, making a total of 8,511:

First class received	$62.00
Second class received	50.00
Taird class received	40.00
Fourth class received	20.00
Widows received	20.00

Making the total amount for general pensions $300,000.

The number of special pensions increased to 101, each receiving $120, making $13,120. Total, $312,120.

The last Legislature made the State Auditor ex-officio Secretary of the Soldiers' Home, and I report 110 inmates at this date. There were 70 on the roll November 30th, 1901. The Home has provided for 148 during the year. The annual appropriation of $13,000 for the maintenance of the Home has been paid, together with the $5,000 for permanent improvements, making a total of $18,000. This, added to the $318,120 for general and special pensions, makes $330,120. This shows the aggregate Sate amount disbursed by the State to its ex-Confederate soldiers.

There should be no parsimony in dealing with the Confederate soldier who may need help or with those who were dependent upon him and may be in needy circumstances; this in justice to them; but in justice to the people who pay the bill the tendency in the direction of extravagance should be guarded against, and the line rigidly drawn between those who do and those who *do not need* State aid.

A Chicago man says he has discovered a plan for revolutionizing the electricity business. He says all that is needed to be done is to throw a wire about 250 miles up into space and tap an inexhaustible supply, which would furnish all the heat and motive power needed by the country and make us independent of the coal baron and wood chopper. Arranging the wire connection with upper regions, he says, may seem a little difficult to the amateurs but he has solved that question. But we are waiting to hear from Nikola Tesla before we bank on this Chicago genius.

Mr. Jenkins, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, says Senator Hoar's anti-trust bill is all right, save in two particulars, which are that it violates both State and Federal constitutions. Now, couldn't Mr. Jenkins help him patch up one to remedy these objections? As a bill builder the gentleman from Wisconsin has achieved some distinction.

In remarking on the nomination of Dr. Crum, negro, for collector of customs at Charleston, and for standing by Minnie Cox, postmistress at Indianola, the Philadelphia *Press* says President Roosevelt shows that he intends to treat black and white alike. Suppose he give further proof of it by appointing some negroes to Federal offices in the North.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— Uncle Sam might distribute a few thousand of those toy pistols among the inhabitants of the Philippine islands, who are referring to the soldiers as "swine who eat swine." —*Richmond News, Dem.*

— President Roosevelt has done his worst. Against the protests of the Mayor of this city, the interests of the entire business community, his own better judgment and in violation of his promise that he would not appoint colored men to office in the South, when their appointment would be obnoxious to the white people of the community which they would serve, he sent the nomination of Dr. W. D. Crum for the office of Collector of Customs at Charleston to the Senate yesterday. We hope that the appointment will be rejected by the Senate—we know that it will be if there is any way by which Senator Tillman can accomplish its defeat.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

— The appointment of Wm. D. Crum, a colored man to be Collector of Customs at Charleston was announced by the President yesterday. He has heard the protests of the citizens of Charleston, but does not heed them. In point of character and ability Mr. Crum is qualified for the office, but in no higher degree than hundreds of other men whose appointment would have provoked no ill-feeling. That the appointment is beneficial to the colored race cannot be truthfully asserted. Every such appointment tends to keep the whites and blacks wide apart politically, while many of the most intelligent friends of the blacks believe that nothing can be so beneficial to them as the effacement of the color line to the end that some might be Democrats and some Republicans. Were this division effected, the blacks would cease to be objects of political persecution. Their votes would be sought, not suppressed.—*New York Times, Ind.*

TWINKLINGS

— A little change in the hand is worth more than a great change in the weather.—*Phil, Record.*

— We are all in favor of peace on earth, but there are some hot disagreements about how to get it.—*Puck.*

— No man is a failure because he says what he thinks. The failure comes when a man thinks of the wrong thing to say.—*Boston Christian Register.*

— Success seldom comes to a man until rather late in the game. By the time he is in a position to get all the pie he wants he is a dyspeptic.—*Chicago News.*

— "There goes a man who has done a wonderful service for the uplifting of humanity." "Missionary or philanthropist?" "Neither. He makes elevators."—*Baltimore News.*

— "Dey tells me," says Uncle Eben, "dat contentment is better dan riches, but I'spicions dat wif de proper facilities I could hab bof of 'em at once."—*Washington Star.*

— Al Manack—The days are pretty short now, aren't they? Willie Everpeigh—I should say so. Seems as if the ink doesn't have time to get dry on a thirty-day note before it's due.—*Brooklyn Life.*

— It would not be a bad idea for one of our many amusement barons to make an arrangement with some of the South American countries to pull off their next revolution in Madison Square Garden.—*Judge.*

— Smith—Your wife seems to be angry! Jones—No wonder. She started out this morning to match a piece of ribbon and found the exact shade at the first store she visited.—*Chicago News.*

— Girl—Who was that distinguished-looking foreigner that was announced just now? I didn't quite catch the title. Other Girl—You won't, either. Lil Bullion has made a catch of that.—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "Well," remarks Gladys, "I suppose you are all through with your holiday worries, aren't you?" "Yes," replies Nanette, "I exchanged my last misfit present this morning, and have settled down to enjoy myself."—*Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.*

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Read to Both Houses of North Carolina General Assembly Yesterday.

MATTERS OF TAXATION.

Much Property is Not Properly Listed. Two Columns Devoted to Education. Reformatory for Young Criminals—$500,000 Bond Issue.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 8.—The first biennial message of Gov. Aycock was read in both branches of the General Assembly to-day. It is a voluminous paper treating exhaustively of every interest of the commonwealth. After a few words of welcome to the assemblymen the Governor refers to the great prosperity which p rvades the State.

Regarding the devising of ways and means by which the expenditures of the State will come within the revenue he says he is of the opinion the revenue law now in force under the new assessments to be made next June will supply all demands of current expenses. The revenue and machinery acts of the Legislature he says were much criticised, but experience shows that with a few modifications they are as good as could as be devised under our constitution. Regarding the taxation of railroads the message says that much of the value of corporations is intangible and no tax law which ignores this intangible property is just to the owners of tangible property assessed at its true value. The law now in force recognizes this fact and provides for the assessment of this intangible property and lays down rules by which it can be done with reasonable accuracy. These rules proceed upon the idea that "whatever property is worth for the purposes of income and sale it is also worth for taxation." No just man demands more than this and no fair-minded man can justify anything less.

There is much property other than railroad property undervalued for taxation. When the law says that property shall be assessed at its true value in money any custom or rule of assessing it at less than its true value ought to be abandoned. By obedience in matters of assessment of all property ample revenue will come to the State for every legitimate purpose, and those who are already paying upon full values will enjoy that equality which by right belongs to every citizen in bearing the burdens of government. The Machinery Act passed by the last Legislature makes ample provision for securing this end. He therefore, recommends that both the Revenue and Machinery Acts now constituting our law in reference to taxation shall remain as they are with the modifications rec ommended by the Treasurer and Auditor.

The Governor says if any plan can be devised for remedying the evil of refusal to properly list personal property, causing a full listing of property at its full value, a long step will be taken towards the adjustment on an equitable basis of the burdens of taxation. The recommendation that a tax be levied for State purposes or distilleries, rectifying establishments and saloons.

The recommendations of the Superintendent of Public Instruction are commended to the assembly and a strong and lengthy appeal made for liberal provision for the education of the "whole people." He declares he would have discussed the matter more briefly and made no mention of the race question had it not been that some of the members were instructed to advocate a law by which taxes paid by white people should go to white children and those by negroes to negro children. This idea he denounces in the strongest terms, declaring such legislation would be a crime against civilization and a disgrace to the State.

He says, "Let this not be the first State in the Union to seek to make the weak more helpless. Let us be done with this question." He endorses local taxation. Fully two columns are devoted to education. The State University, the A. & M. colleges for white and colored, and the State Normal and Industrial College are each noticed separately and commended to the liberal consideration of the Legislature, also a number of schools of lesser importance that receive State aid.

The report of the Secretary of State is briefly commented on and the recommendation made that all vacant lands in the State be transferred to the State Board of Education, which already has the swamp lands, to be sold to the highest bidder. He advises an amendment to the law so the Secretary of State can have more than one assistant in the legislative engrossing department. He recommends the erection of a new State building for office and storage purposes corner of Morgan street, and that the records of permanent election registrations received by the Secretary of State from the county clerks of court be constituted the permanent records as a matter of economy. The reports of the State Treasurer, State Auditor, Attorney General, Insurance Commissioner and Board of Agriculture are each briefly but highly commended.

In treating the report of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing the Governor contends that the time has come in this State when the State can, without injustice to any interest, declare that not more than eleven hours shall constitute a day's work and not more than ten hours for night's work, and that no child under twelve years old be employed in a factory and none under fourteen years after 1905, unless they can read and write.

The report of Shell Fish Commissioner Webb contained a proposed law to preserve and increase the production of oysters in our Eastern waters.

The management of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, State property, is commended, the road being in better condition than ever before. The State School and State Board of Health are cordially commended, and the State's Prison is reported self-sustaining with a surplus on hand. Extended reference to the care of the insane is made and insistance is made that increased accommodations be provided at Morganton and at Raleigh. The Governor recommends that a general law be passed prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor except in incorporated towns and says the "State should no longer depend on the Federal Government to suppress this evil business." He recommends that attempt to outrage a woman and to poison be made punishable by life imprisonment. He comments at length on the evils of lynching. Recommendation is made that a code commission be appointed.

An ample appropriation for a creditable exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition is recommended, and the statement made that if the State appropriates $15,000, an additional $15,000 will be raised by private subscription.

The work of the Audubon Society of North Carolina in striving to protect game and sea birds is commended.

A reformatory for young criminals is urged as a necessity and the Assembly asked to make a start towards its establishment.

The message states that the total deficit in the State treasury, Dec. 1, 1902, was $319,419.41. It is regulated says the Governor that this deficit should have come about, but the State has has had full value for it. The appropriations made by the last General Assembly exceeded the estimated income, and even where the apropriations were paid it was found by most of the institutions of the State and unforeseen accidents that they could not conduct their business upon the appropriations made. The history of the borrowing of the $300,000 several months ago was reviewed and the act justified in an extended review of the situation. He says three other courses were open: First, withhold appropriations for the enlargement of the asylums and refuse to pay the $100,000 appropriated for providing four months public school terms. Second, call the Legislature in extra session and let it take the responsibility of repealing the appropriations or make provision for meeting them. Third, pay the appropriations and issue bonds at six per cent. The inadvisability of all three alternatives is argued. It is impossible, the message says, to meet the floating debt together with current expenses and the absolutely necessary permanent improvements out of the State's current revenues. "It is therefore apparent to me that it is necessary to issue bonds to pay off the present indebtedness," says the Governor. He asks that the Governor and Council of State be authorized to issue non-taxable bonds in the sum of $500,000 to run 50 years. He believes a three per cent. bond can be sold at par.

In conclusion the Governor says:

Perhaps no General Assembly has ever assembled in time of peace that has had greater opportunity for real service to the State. You will not forget the dread of our people for debt and their opposition to excessive taxation, nor will you fail to appreciate the great undertakings which the State has entered upon and the larger future for which we all so earnestly hope. There is but one right way only to serve the people well and that is to do the right thing, trusting them as they may ever be trusted, to approve the things which count for the betterment of the State.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Washington *Gazette*: The new canning factory building is fast taking the place of the old one. When finished it will be one of the most complete buildings of the kind in the State.

— Clarkton *Express*: Mr. W. D. Shaw, of Southwood, had the misfortune of losing his dwelling by fire a few nights ago. It was with difficulty that his children were rescued from the building. Nothing was saved except the night clothes they had on.

— Salisbury *Sun*: About 50 negroes passed through the city Monday night on their way to the coal fields in Tennessee. — Thieves have been quite numerous in Salisbury within the past week. One of their pet hobbies is to enter hallways and carry away overcoats and hats. — A young man who was calling on a lady several nights ago had his hat and overcoat stolen and in the same neighborhood another overcoat was "hooked." There have been similar cases in various sections of the city. — Mr. W. A. Cress, of China Grove, has an apple tree which is bearing fruit at the present time.

— Durham *Sun*: Fred Glenn, who lives near Durham, was here today and informed a *Sun* reporter that he has a mule that snows many signs of having hydrophobia. Last August the mule was bitten by a dog supposed to have been mad. A week or more ago the mule began snapping at almost everything that came near it. This morning, Mr. Glenn's son went out to bridle the animal, but noticing that it was rearing, plunging and almost in a frenzy, thought it best not to go near. A negro man also made the same effort, but with no better success. Mr. Glenn says that in the mule's frantic effort to get out of the stable, it butted a hole through the roof with its head. The stable is built of logs, covered with boards and is a low one. The same dog that bit the mule also bit a pig in the same neighborhood, but so far as known, the mule is the only one that has shown any symptoms.

— Monroe *Journal*: When the dispensary closed its doors Wednesday night and went out of existence there were liquors to the value of $448.19 on hand, which were stored, and will probably be disposed of by legislative enactment. During the year 1902 profits were distributed as follows: Chain gang, $1,556.39; city of Monroe, $1,556 39; graded school, $1,556.39; county school fund, $1,556.39. — Mr. Lemuel Presson of Buford township died Sunday morning from the effect of a gun kick received on Christmas day. His brother had a gun which he had loadad but could not make fire. Mr. Presson took the gun to see what he could do with it. Placing the stock against his abdomen he began popping caps. After one or two unsuccessful attempts, the gun was fired, but "kicked" heavily against Mr. Presson, injuring him internally. Efforts to save his life were unavailing, and he died on Sunday as stated.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

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Southport, Jan. 11, 12.
Shallotte, Concord, Jan. 13.
Town Creek, ——— Jan. 14.
Waccamaw, Shiloh, Jan. 17, 18.
Whiteville, Whiteville, Jan. 18, 19.
Magnolia, Providence, Jan. 24, 25.
Clinton, Clinton, Jan. 30
Kenansville, Friendship, Jan. 31, Feb. 1.
Bladen, Bethlehem, Feb. 7, 8.
Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, Feb. 9.
Carver's Creek, Council Station Feb. 10
Onslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14, 15.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb. 21, 22.

District Stewards will please meet in the Ladies' Parlor, Grace church, Wilmington, Tuesday Dec. 30th, at 1 o'clock.

Missionary Institute will be held at Grace church Feb. 4th and 5th, 1903.

District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th, 1903.

A Marvelous Invention.

Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seem to be unlimited. Notable among great discoveries is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It has done a world of good for weak lungs and has saved many a life. Thousand have used it and conquered Grip, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption. Their general verdict is: "It's the best and most reliable medicine for Throat and Lung troubles." Every 50c and $1.00 bottle is guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Trial bottles free.

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DANGER SIGNALS.

No engineer would be mad enough to run by the flag which signaled danger. What the danger was he might not understand, but he would take no chances. It is different with the average man or woman. They attempt constantly to run by the danger signals of Nature and that attempt costs thousands of lives every year. When the appetite becomes irregular or entirely gives out, when sleep is troubled and broken, when there is a loss of flesh, when there is a constant feeling of dullness and languor, Nature is hoisting the danger signal. The stomach and its allied organs are failing in their work and the body is losing the nutrition on which its strength depends.

Such a condition calls for the prompt use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the body with sound, solid flesh.

"Your kindness to me I can never forget," writes Mrs. Josie E. Clark, of Enterprise, Shelby Co., Mo. "I cannot express half my feelings of gratefulness to you. I had despaired of ever getting well. I had been in bad health for twelve years. Had aches all through me, numb hands, cold feet, and everything I ate distressed me; bowels constipated, was very nervous, depressed and despondent. In fact, I can't express half my bad feelings to you. When I first wrote to you I thought I could never be cured. I have taken six bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and my health is now good. You have my honest recommendation to all sufferers. I think there is no medicine in the world as good as Dr. Pierce's."

If constipated use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They cure constipation, biliousness and sick headache. They do not produce the "pill habit."

Bather's Thrilling Fight With Shark

To seize a supposed dead man only to find he had grasped the tail of an eight foot man eating shark, to have a quiet swim suddenly turned into a terrific struggle for life—that was the experience the other day of H. M. Speerman of Fort Wayne, Ind., in the surf at Atlantic City.

Mr. Speerman is an expert swimmer and had got about a quarter of a mile from shore. He was about to return when he saw just ahead of him a black object that he took to be the body of a man. It sunk. It went down as he was about to swim up to it, and Speerman promptly dived and made a grab for what he supposed was one of the man's feet.

To his horror he found he had grasped the tail of a shark. The tail slipped through his fingers, and in terror he came to the surface and struck out lustily for the shore.

The shark came to the surface also and made straight for Speerman. It was apparently thoroughly enraged at the liberty Speerman had taken. Perhaps, too, it deemed this chance to dine off a summer bather too good to be lost.

Its nose struck Speerman's right foot in the first rush, and he distinctly heard the jaws snap. He was swimming toward the pier with all his strength, and he shrieked in terror as he realized how narrowly he had escaped from the shark's maw.

The first miss did not dismay the fierce fish. It drew off, and, rising so

THE SHARK MADE FOR SPEERMAN.

near the surface that its back fin could be seen cutting the water like a knife, it came on again. Speerman whirled just as the shark reached him and dived. But he was not quick enough to escape a blow from the shark's nose that turned him completely over. The jaws of the man eater snapped in the air this time, and the act was seen by Walter H. Nelson, who stood on the end of the pier.

Nelson yelled to the life guards, who sprang into a boat at the end of the pier and started to Mr. Speerman's aid.

They were in time to see the shark make a third rush at Speerman. The man eater seized the man's wrist in his teeth as the guards came alongside, but the next instant one of the guards, with a boathook, broke its spine, and it floated on the surface dead.

Mr. Speerman's wrist was nearly severed. He fainted when hauled into the boat.

Wing Muscles.

The muscles of a bird's wings are twenty times more powerful, proportionately speaking, than those of a man's arm.

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It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in Stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKETS

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

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ROSIN—Market firm at $1.35 per barrel for strained and $1.40 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel for hard, $3.10 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine quiet at 37@38c; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at $1 35; crude turpentine quiet at $1.10 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	30
Rosin	96
Tar	442
Crude turpentine	27

Receipts same day last year—21 casks spirits turpentine, 395 barrels rosin, 191 barrels tar, 46 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5¾ cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	7¼ " "
Low middling	7¾ " "
Middling	8¼ " "
Good middling	9¼ " "

Same day last year, market steady at 7¾c for middling.

Receipts—489 bales; same day last year, 274.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@12½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Money on call steady at 3½@5 per cent., closing offered at 4 per cent; time money easier; 60 days, 5@5½ per cent; 90 days, 5@5¼ per cent.; six months 5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange firmer, with the actual business in bankers' bills at 486.70@486.75 for demand and 483.50@483 60 for sixty days. Posted rates 485½ and 487½. Commercial bills 482½@482¾. Bar silver 48¼. Mexican dollars 38¼. Government bonds steady. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 108½; U. S. funding 5's, registered, 108¾; U. S. 3's, registered, 106¾; do. coupon, 108. U. S. 4's, new registered, 135½; do. coupon, 135¾; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 109½; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, 103¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 117¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 102¾. Chesapeake & Ohio 50; Manhattan L 150¾; New York Central 153¼; Reading 68½; do. 1st preferred 87¾; do. 2nd preferred 79¼; St. Paul 179½; do. pref'd, 193¾; Southern Railway 35¾; do. pref'd 94¾; Amalgamated Copper 63½; People's Gas 104½; Sugar 133½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 63½; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. pref'd 89¾; Western Union 91; U. S. Steel 38¾; do. pref'd 89¼; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 64; do. preferred, 122½. Standard Oil, 735@741.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 8.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 27½; do. preferred, bonds, 45¾; fours, 83¼.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Rosin firm. Strained common to good $1 95. Spirits turpentine firm.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 8.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Jan 8.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 54½c; receipts 265 casks; sales 349 casks; exports 99 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 2,639 barrels; sales 1,128 barrels; exports 550 barrels Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 50, E, $1 55; F, $1 60; G, $1 70; H, $2 00; I, $2 40; K $3 90; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W, $4 20.

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 8.—The cotton market opened quiet and steady, with prices one point higher to two points lower and following the call ruled rather quiet but firm for a time on light estimates for receipts notwithstanding, the disappointing Liverpool cables which, due to come three to four points lower, reported a decline of four points. The early business resulted in a general advance of six to seven points, but from this point the market rescied to a level not far from last night's figures. The decline was largely the result of a rather indifferent public demand and also a moderate move for profits. The crowd was generally long and some fears were expressed of another raid on the market, similar to that of the preceding day. This, however, proved groundless, and Wall street was at no time prominent on either side of the account. The chief feature of the day's situation was the comparative volume of exports as compared with receipts. The former amounted to about 65,000 bales or practically double the latter. Stocks at interior towns have lost thus far this week 12,000 bales and to day's interior movement showed receipts of but about 12,000 net, foreshadowing a bullish end week statement to-morrow. Toward the close there was some buying in anticipation of the expected strength of to-morrow's statistical showing and while the market was somewhat irregular, values showed an upward tendency on active months, with the close steady and prices net three points lower to five points higher; sales estimated at 150,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Cotton quiet at 8 90c; net receipts 88 bales; gross receipts 7,080 bales; stock 169,399 bales.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands 8.90c; middling gulf 9 15c; sales 2,700 bales.

The cotton futures market opened quiet and steady and closed steady: January 8 62, February 8.59, March 8.66, April 8.65, May 8 66, June 8.66, July 8.68, August 8.50, September 8.15.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 33,003 bales; exports to Great Britain 31,036 bales; exports to France 586 bales; exports to the Continent 25,464 bales; stock 1,085,780 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 232,451 bales; exports to Great Britain 85,628 bales; exports to France 25,458 bales; exports to the Continent 76,660 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,178,102 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,608,644 bales; exports to France 445,256 bales; exports to the Continent 1,606,010 bales

Jan. 8.—Galveston, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 12,041 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 2,556 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8.90, net receipts 1,086 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¼c, net receipts 439 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 9.15c, net receipts 32 bales; Savannah, steady at 8¾c, net receipts 4,723 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 8 9-16c, net receipts 11,201 bales; Mobile, steady at 8 7-16c, net receipts 205 bales; Memphis, quiet at 8¼c, net receipts 1,303 bales; Augusta, steady at 8 11-16c, net receipts 333 bales; Charleston, steady at 8¾c, net receipts 582 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Flour was moderately active and steadier. Rye flour steady. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 80½c. In spite of an extremely dull trade wheat held remarkably firm all day on higher cables, a better export inquiry, the strength of corn, further good support West and local covering. Close was ½@¾c net higher: May closed 80¼c; July closed 78¾c Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 87¾c Options market was again firm and a shade higher on light contract arrivals West and here, firmer cables, a big cash inquiry and covering. Last quotations were ½@¾c net higher. Sales were; January closed 87¾c; February closed 54¼c; March closed 53c; May closed 49c; July closed 48¼c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2, 40c. Options firm and higher with other markets: May closed 40¼. Lard steady; Western steam $10 30; refined steady; compound 7¼@7¾c. Butter was steady; extra creamery 29c; State dairy 20@26c. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 14@14¼; small white, fall made, 14@14¼. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 5 3-16c; mild firm; Cordova 7¾@13c. Sugar quiet Rice firm. Peanuts were steady; fancy hand-picked 4¼@4¼c; other domestic 3@4¼. Cabbages steady; domestic, per barrel red $1 00@1 25; white 75c@$1 00. Pork steady Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 12. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania average best 29c. Potatoes steady; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweets $2 50@3 50; Jerseys $1 75@2 00; New York and Western per 180 lbs., $1 50 @2 00. Tallow firm. Cotton seed oil was firmer and more active on spot. Prime crude here nominal at 33; prime crude f. o. b. mills 33@34c; prime summer yellow 39½c; off summer yellow 38½c; prime white 44c; prime winter yellow 43@44c; prime meal $27 50@28 00, nominal.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Considerable strength was manifested in both the grain and provision pits to-day and trading in wheat was quite active while the close was steady; May ½@¾c. higher; May corn and oats were each up ¼c. May provisions closed from 5 to 7½c. to 12½c. higher.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Cash prices: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 74 @75c; No. 3 spring 67@79c; No. 2 red 71¼@73½c. Corn—No. 2 47c; No. 2 yellow 47c. Oats—No. 2 33¾c; No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 33@34¼c. Rye —No. 2 48c. Mess pork, per barrel, $17 80. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9 90. Short rib sides, loose, closed $8 65@8 83¾. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 35@8 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $9 00@9 12½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 30.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 January 71¾, 72¾, 71¾, 72¼c; May 75¼@75¾, 76, 75¼, 76c; July 72¾@73, 73¾, 72¾, 73¾c. Corn—No. 2 January 47@47¼, 47¾, 47, 47¼c; May 43¼@43¾, 43¾, 43¼@43¾, 43¾c; July 43¾, 43¼, 43¾, 43¼c. Oats—No. 2 January 33, 33¼, 33¾, 33¼c; May 34¼@34¼, 34¼@34¾, 34¾, 34¼c; July 32, 32, 31¾, 31¾@33c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $17 50, 17 60, 17 50, 17 55; May $16 23½, 16 27½, 16 17½, 16 25. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $9 90, 9 90, 9 87, 9 90; May $9 53¼, 9 55, 9 47½; July $9 35, 9 40, 9 32½, 9 37½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 63¼, 8 67¼, 8 63¼, 8 67½; May $8 63¼, 8 85, 8 75, 8 83¾.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 8.—Cotton: Spot, fair demand, prices four points lower; American middling fair 5.30d; good middling 4.86d; middling 4.68d; low middling 4.56d; good ordinary 4.44d; ordinary 4.32d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 800 bales were for speculation and export and included 9,100 bales American. Receipts 41,000 bales, including 35,300 bales American.

Futures opened easy and closed steady; American middling (g o c) January 4.62@4.63d; January and February 4.62@4.63d; February and March 4.63@4.63d; March and April 4.63@4.63d; April and May 4.63d; May and June 4.64d; June and July 4.64d; July and August 4.64d; August and September 4.57@4.58d; September and October 4.44d; October and November 4.34.

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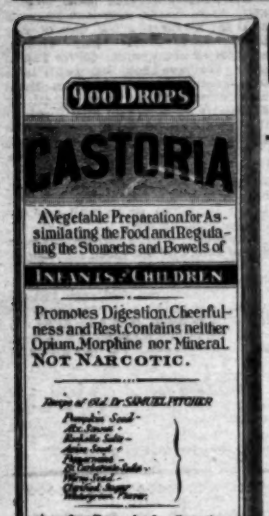
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A CHANCE MEETING

[Original.]

Johnny Martin was a young man with a taste for adventure. His father, having tried every means known in cities to keep him in check, finally concluded to give free rein to his ambition to be tough and sent him to New Mexico.

Several years passed, and, though reports came that Johnny was making himself at home where the revolver was the only law, it did not appear that he had ever attached himself to any lawless gang. Indeed his principal amusement was in hunting out desperadoes, as gentlemanly huntsmen would choose the fox, and handing them over to be dealt with by the courts. As time went on Johnny's mother found it more difficult to bear the separation from her darling, and it was finally arranged that he should come home for a visit. He came, much to the surprise of his family, in a gentlemanly suit of clothes.

Now, it happened that while Johnny was at home the city was being also visited by Gentleman Jim, one of those burglars who leave facetious messages at houses they enter, pinned to the curtain or a cushion. The Martins, with others, went to bed every night terrified lest the house should be entered and Mrs. Martin, who was in delicate health, be frightened to death. As to the burglary, their fears were realized. Gentleman Jim sawed a hole in the back door, turned the key, shot the bolt and entered. Not finding anything of value on the lower floor, he concluded to go up stairs and inquire for the silver at the point of the pistol.

He was putting his foot on the first step of the staircase when he concluded to flash his lantern upward to see if the way was clear. The bullseye struck full in the face of Johnny Martin leaning over a corner of the banister holding a huge revolver pointed directly at the intruder.

"Put your revolver on the stairs," said Johnny in a whisper. "Don't make a noise."

Gentleman Jim was a desperate character, and he held his weapon in his right hand, but he knew that before he could raise it the man up stairs could make a hole in his brain. There was another reason for his action, which was to appear later on. He placed his revolver where he was ordered as softly as if he feared to wake the baby. Johnny, still covering him, went part way down stairs.

"Go into the dining room," he ordered in the same low voice. When they were both there, Johnny directed his visitor to light the gas, then to take off his mask. The stranger hesitated, whereupon Johnny enforced the order by raising his revolver, and the mask was removed. Johnny started.

"Well, now, I wonder if this is a miracle," he muttered. "Jim Smalls, how did you happen in this community? I thought I had you safely landed in jail in New Mexico."

"Broke loose."

"And to think that you should run up against me in this fashion! What a small world it is after all!"

"What are you going to do with me, Johnny?"

"Don't speak so loud. I wouldn't have you waken my mother for a ranch. I fancy there is a large reward offered for your capture, and as my trip to the east is expensive I suppose I might as well secure the amount. What do they offer for you, Jim? Don't lie about it. I can telegraph and find out."

"It's a big one this time—$5,000."

"Whew! That is a big one. You've been working this vicinity for some time and have a lot of swag, I presume."

"A hull cellar full of silver."

"Where is the cellar?"

"Make it an object, and I'll tell."

"What object?"

"Let me off."

Johnny sat down on the arm of a chair and rested his revolver on the dining table. The weapon was heavy, and his arm was getting tired. He knew that his man was quick as a flash and, though unarmed, if given a second of time would make a dash.

"Jim," he said presently, "if it hadn't been for me, that mob would have got you."

"So they would, Johnny."

"And it would have been all over with you."

"Reckon I'd 'a' swung."

"Well, don't you think one good turn deserves another? I landed you safe in jail in spite of the mob. The silver you've got won't do you any good; better tell me where it's hid."

"Do you want both the reward and the silver?"

"I want the silver for the owners."

"Johnny, on one condition I'll go you. I've got a good wife in Arizona. She was unlucky enough to marry me, and I'd like to do suthin fur her. Now, I know you, Johnny, and what you say you'll do. Give her the reward, and I'll tell all."

"Done. I'll do better than that. Promise me to go back to her and live an honest life, and you can go scot free."

The next morning Johnny Martin, while stumbling about in a cellar entered from an alley, came upon a silver teapot. Calling the police, a treasure was found, which was distributed among its owners.

A few years later Johnny visited the Smalls in Arizona and found Gentleman Jim earning a good living from the county hunting down desperate characters.

Johnny's mother never knew that the house had been entered, but his father did, and when Johnny returned to New Mexico it was with means to purchase a ranch. It was not long before he became a prosperous rancher and occupied several offices of great importance in the territory.

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Why drag out an existence without life or ambition. It is not natural to feel continually tired. We guarantee VINOL will bring life, strength and vigor to the debilitated. If you do not feel well try VINOL. If it does not help you your money will be refunded.

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need a strengthening and invigorating rebuilder. VINOL is of exceptional value in such cases. We guarantee it to give strength and health to those who are weak and debilitated, from disease or old age. Try it on our guarantee.

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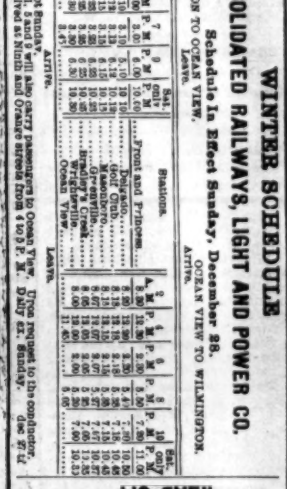

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Schedule in Effect Nov. 30, 1902.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12.31 p m	9 28 p m
Ar Wilson	1 18 p m	10 40 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11.35 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 53 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6.02 p m	2 52 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.35 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4.05 a m	11.05 a m
Ar New York	7.00 a m	1 58 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv New York	9.00 a m	9.30 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11.30 a m	12.10 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.44 p m	2.27 a m
Ar Washington	2.50 p m	3.45 a m
Ar Norfolk		8.50 a m
Ar Richmond	6.56 p m	8.30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7.33 p m	9.12 a m
Ar Weldon	9.04 p m	11.32 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10.47 p m	1.05 p m
Ar Wilson	10.48 p m	1.46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	7.16 a m	2.56 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	5.5 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	2 45 p m	7.00 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 00 p m	9.50 a m‡
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 15 p m	8.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 35 p m	3 00 a m	7.15 a m
Ar Jacksonville		8.00 a m	12.40 p m
Ar Tampa		7 00 p m	10 40 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.
Lv Tampa	6.05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7.30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Savannah	1.10 p m	1.15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 15 p m	6.35 a m
Ar Florence	8.03 p m	9.45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11.45 p m	1.40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.		East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 A m	Ar.	8.00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 21 p m	Ar.	5.00 p m
Ar Sanford	1 50 p m	Lv.	3.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.		South Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	3 30 p m	Ar.	10 00 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv.	9 00 a m

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Schedule in Effect Nov. 23.

TRAIN 29 Leaves Wilmington at 4.30 P. M., arrives Lumberton 5.44 P. M., Pembroke 6.10 P. M., Maxton 6.40 P. M., Hamlet 7.25 P. M., Charlotte 10.25 P. M.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5.0 A. M., Hamlet at 8.35 A. M., arrives Maxton 9.10 A. M., Pembroke 9.45 A. M., Lumberton 10.08 A. M., Wilmington 12.30 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet		9 45 p m	7.40 a m
Ar Monroe		11 2 a m	9.15 a m
Ar Charlotte			10.25 a m
Ar Chester		12.51 a m	12.30 p m
Ar Greenwood		3.05 a m	12.57 p m
Ar Athens		2.03 a m	5.58 p m
Ar Atlanta		7.35 a m	4.00 p m

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Lv Hamlet		9.45 p m	7.35 a m
Ar Columbia		1.15 a m	11.00 a m
Ar Savannah		9.25 a m	6.55 p m
Ar Jacksonville		7.00 a m	9.15 p m
Ar Tampa		8.45 p m	8.05 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet		10.40 p m	7.50 a m
Ar Raleigh		1.50 a m	11.15 a m
Ar Norfolk		7.15 a m	5.30 p m
Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	8.40 a m	7.35 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.50 a m	11.45 a m	11.10 a m
Ar Norfolk	8.32 a m	1.35 a m	1.35 p m
Ar Petersburg	5.53 a m	4.07 p m	4.07 p m
Ar Richmond	6.35 a m	4.55 p m	5.40 p m
Ar Washington	10.10 a m	8.30 p m	
Ar Baltimore	11.25 a m	11.05 p m	
Ar New York	4.15 p m	6.30 a m	

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.35 a. m. takes passengers from train 31, leaving New York at 12.35 p. m.; Baltimore at 8.45 p. m.; Washington 7.00 p. m.; Richmond 10.27 p. m.; Portsmouth 9.05 p. m.; Norfolk 8.30 p. m.; Raleigh 4.15 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 7.00 a. m. From train 38, leaving Atlanta 1.50 p. m.; Athens 4.07 p. m.; Chester 4.15 a. m.; Charlotte 8.01 a. m.; Monroe 8.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.30 a. m.

From train 86 leaving Jacksonville 4.30 p. m.; Savannah 12.10 p. m.; Columbia 3.55 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 8.33 a. m.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. No. 6 Pass'r Train Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. No. 4 Pass'r Train Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 58	Kinston	10 19	.....
5 50	5 50	Newbern	9 30	9 30
7 35	7 37	Morehead City	7 45	7 45
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.05 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 1.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 9.

A REAR END COLLISION.

Two Passenger Trains Wrecked at Ada, Ohio—Three Men Killed and Fourteen Others Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ADA, O., Jan. 8.—Three men dead and fourteen or more other persons injured, one fatally, is the result of a collision between two trains on the Pennsylvania system on the main street of this city at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The dead are: Joseph Stein, Fort Wayne; —— McProl, Fort Wayne; Alonzo Hadley, VanWert, O. The injured: W. A. Freeze, Chicago; J. J. Casey, Toledo, cannot recover; Mr. and Mrs. Durselman and little daughter of VanWert, O.; Peter Tracey, conductor of train No. 35; Curtis McElroy, Ada; Andrew Brannon, Fort Wayne, Ind.; M. Geise, Ottaway; Walter Klinger, Ada; W. D. Blackburn, baggage master of No. 35; Guy Kingsbury, editor of the Dunkirk *Standard*; Benjamin Zooke, Fort Wayne; T. J. Burdette, Dayton.

The accident was one of the worst that ever occurred on this division of the Pennsylvania system and was highly sensational in all its details, occurring as it did on the main street of the town at a time when the thoroughfare was crowded with people. Train No. 35, west bound for Fort Wayne had started out of the station, but at the Main street crossing was compelled to stop on account of some accident to the air-brakes. A flagman was sent back to notify No. 19, a freight train going in the same direction, which was several minutes late. Owing to the snow storm the engineer of No. 19 was unable to see the signal in time to slacken his speed. His engine crashed into the rear of No. 35, consisting of two coaches, the rear one being a combination baggage and passenger car and with another passenger car in front. Both were telescoped and scarcely a passenger escaped injury of some sort. The engineer and fireman of No. 19 were also slightly hurt, but not enough to prevent them from rendering immediate assistance to those who were in greater distress.

REPORTED DEAL CONFIRMED.

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Acquires Control of the Philadelphia & Reading. President's Statement.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

BALTIMORE, Jan. 8.—President Loree, of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, officially confirmed the published report of the purchase for his company of stock in the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, and the later reported sale of a part of that stock through the Pennsylvania company to the Vanderbilt interests. He said that the control of the Reading was acquired by the Pennsylvania road on behalf of the Baltimore and Ohio road through Kuhn, Loeb & Co.—Of a total of 2,800,000 shares, this firm secured between 1,200,000 and 1,400,000 shares in the interest of the Pennsylvania. This was largely preferred stock. Then the Vanderbilts and the Baltimore and Ohio were invited to take these purchases between them.

This was to bring the Reading into the community of ownership scheme originated by the Pennsylvania railroad and the New York Central without conflicting with the State laws of Pennsylvania, which prohibit the Pennsylvania railroad from owning control of a competing line. The Vanderbilts nominated the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railroad to take up their share of the purchase, and the transaction involved the raising of about $25 000,000. Pennsylvania selected the Baltimore and Ohio, and this company financed the requirements by part of the money derived from the recent sale of $42,500,000 of stock.

President Loree said that the deal makes a substantial addition to the mileage operated under the Baltimore and Ohio influence [doubling the same, as follows: Present Baltimore and Ohio system, 4,400 miles; mileage affected by deal 4,405 miles; total 8,805 miles.

Mr. Loree said that the management of the Reading would continue as at present.

MOORE'S CREEK BATTLE GROUND.

Citizen's Meeting Memorializes National Congress for Appropriation.

At a meeting of citizens of Pender and adjoining counties, held in the town of Burgaw January 5th, Dr. George F. Lucas was called to the chair and A. C. Moore was made secretary. Dr. E. Porter, M. M. Moore and W. R. Walker were appointed to draft resolutions, based upon historic facts, and offered the following:

"WHEREAS, The first blood shed in any Southern State for American Independence was at Moore's Creek, N. C., February 27th, 1776, and, whereas, the heroes of that first important victory have never been recognized by our government, therefore,

"*Resolved*, That we appeal to the representatives of the people in Congress in this, the era of our unprecedented prosperity and national greatness, to appropriate not less than $5,000 to beautify that historic battleground, which is now the property of North Carolina, and to repair and care for the humble shaft erected by private subscription to the memory of those gallant patriots who, without experience or precedent to sustain them, so promptly acted in defence of American liberty.

"*Resolved*, That the chairman of the Moore's Creek Monumental Association send a copy of these resolutions to each of the North Carolina Senators and Representatives in Congress with the request that they use their influence to secure this act of simple justice to the people of North Carolina."

A. C. MOORE, Secretary.

Virginia May Morris, of Texas, a sister of the late Colonel Thomas P. Ochiltree, has been granted letters of administration on her brother's estate, which consists of about $30,000 of personal property.

Wonderful Nerve.

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental Cuts, Wounds, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Sore Feet or Stiff Joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best Salve on earth for Piles, too. Only 25c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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CASTRO ACCEPTS THE CONDITIONS.

The Venezuelan Dispute is Now in a Fair Way for Final Adjustment.

THE VENEZUELAN'S ANSWER.

Considers Conditions Unjust, But Obliged to Yield to Force—Cash Payments to Allies and Guarantees Given for Balance of Claims

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CARACAS, Jan. 8.—After two stormy meetings of the cabinet, all the conditions set forth in the replies of the powers to President Castro's last proposals in the matter of settling the Venezuelan dispute through arbitration have been accepted by the Venezuelan government. The government considers these conditions to be unjust, but declares it is obliged to yield to force. The Venezuelan answer was delivered at the United States legation here at noon to-day.

The conditions of the powers cover cash payments to the allies and guarantees for the payment of the balance of their claims. It can be said on good authority that the question of raising the existing blockade will not be considered.

It has been learned from an authoritive source that United States Minister Bowen has received orders to leave Venezuela next Saturday for Washington, where he will present the Venezuelan case to the British-German commission. An American warship will call for Mr. Bowen at La Guaira.

The Foreign Office here is working day and night in the preparation of documents in order that the Venezuelan case may be ready for presentation. Mr. Bowen will be accompanied to Washington by his wife.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Confirmation was received here to-night of reports from Caracas to the effect that all barriers in the way of a settlement of the claims of Great Britain, Germany and Italy against Venezuela had been removed by the last named country yielding to the demands of the European allies. Minister Bowen, it was learned, would leave there either Saturday or Sunday and would come direct to the United States on one of our warships, probably the Dolphin.

May Be Settled at Washington.

WASHINGTON, January 8.—Minister Bowen transmitted to the State Department to-day another reply from President Castro touching the arbitration proposal. As heretofore, President Castro expresses willingness to submit the matter to arbitration, and in addition to his former communication he is now willing to recognize the propriety of submitting the claims referred to in the British and German notes to The Hague, something that he has not up to this point been willing to do. Some details remain to be arranged before the next step, which is the appointment of commissioners, can be taken up, and it is not yet known how Castro will receive the demands still insisted upon by the allies for a money payment and how he will view the rejection of his own demand for the immediate withdrawal of the blockade as the condition precedent. Nevertheless, the officials feel that the way is clearing for an adjustment.

It now appears that as already foreshadowed in some of the European dispatches, there is a reasonable prospect that the Venezuelan troubles can be settled without invoking the machinery of The Hague tribunal. Minister Bowen has been definitely named by Castro as his commissioner, and if the few points relative to conditions precedent are settled amicably, it is the expectation that the British and German governments will name their ambassadors at Washington as commissioners in their own behalf to confer with Minister Bowen. It is now stated that the commission will meet, when it does come together, with instructions from the principals to endeavor to adjust the Venezuelan dispute out of hand at Washington. Minister Bowen seems to be confident of his ability to effect this kind of a settlement.

A Compromise Reached.

CARACAS, Jan. 8.—It was learned at a late hour to-night by the terms of the foreign powers handed to President Castro by Minister Bowen yesterday and of the Venezuelan answer to them delivered at the American legation to-day, a compromise in the matter of arbitration has been reached.

CHARLOTTE FREIGHT RATES.

Continuation of Hearing Before Interstate Commerce Commission.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 8.—At today's session of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in the matter of freight rates for Charlotte, T. C. Powell, freight traffic manager for the Southern railway, concluded his testimony after a cross-examination by T. C. Guthrie for the Charlotte Shippers' Association. He was examined at length on alleged instances of rate discrimination against Charlotte. By means of a specially prepared map, Mr. Powell showed how the Southern and Seaboard lines made up the rates for the Carolina territory, charging full local rates for the gateways, thus treating Charlotte as a purely local station. F. J. McGovern, chairman of the Southern Classification Committee, was on the stand when a recess was taken until to-morrow.

It is doubtful if the case will be concluded before Saturday evening.

KILLED THREE MEN.

Mine Superintendent Attacked by Members of the Miners' Union.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SALT LAKE, UTAH, Jan. 7.—A special from Eureka says: J. A. Taylor, manager of the York & Nevada Copper Companies' mine, near Ely, White Pine county, was attacked to-day in the company's office at Key Stone by twelve men, said to be members of the miners' union who intended running him out of town. They caught Taylor and threw him down but he managed to break away and commence shooting, killing James Staggs, William Johnson and J. S. Smith and wounding three other members of the party. A strike has been on against the company for several weeks on account of the reduction of wages ordered by Manager Taylor.

The Democrats of the Missouri Legislature in joint caucus last night nominated Governor W. J. Stone, of St. Louis, for United States Senator, to succeed Senator Vest.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard

MRS. MARY BENEDICT KILLED HERSELF.

Since the Disappearance of Her Husband from Athens, Ga., Three Years Ago Her Mind Had Been Affected.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 8.—Mrs. Mary Benedict, 34 years old, shot and killed herself to-day at the home of her brother-in law, Dr. Frank Martin, in this city. Since the disappearance of her husband, John Benedict, from Athens, Ga., three years ago last May, Mrs. Benedict's mind has been affected. She was treated in sanitariums in Philadelphia and Watkins Glen, N. Y., and was thought to have been cured. A year ago she was brought to Baltimore. Her nervous trouble became more pronounced a week ago, and arrangements had been made to take her to a sanitarium in Philadelphia to-day. It was while dressing for this trip that the fatal shot was fired.

John Benedict, a well known business man of Athens, Ga., husband of to-day's suicide, mysteriously disappeared and has never been heard of. Mr. Benedict started from Athens on a business trip through the northern part of Georgia and the southern section of South Carolina. His route led through a rough and unsettled section, infested by lawless whites and negroes. After Mr. Benedict drove away from a suburb of Athens neither he nor his team was ever seen again, and the authorities of Georgia and South Carolina, as well as the shrewdest detectives of the country, who endeavored to find some trace of the missing merchant, concluded that he had been murdered and that his murderers had destroyed his horse and buggy in order to leave no clue.

A RIGHT ROYAL TREAT.

Announcement by Press Agent as to Coming of Mlle. DeLussan.

Celebrated the length and breadth of two continents as an opera star of the highest rank, an artist second to none, Mlle. Zelie de Lussan has been induced, after much persuasion by the well known impressario, Mr. Charlton at Carnegie Hall, New York city, to follow the example of Mme. Nordica, and devote this season to song recitals. While on the other hand the most noted of Directors, Maurice Grau was doing his best to retain for the season one of his pets and most notable artists who was about to leave his coterie. The tempting offer of Mr. Charlton with the beautiful woman and soprano Mlle. de Lussan, although the descendant of one of the oldest families of the French nobility, and representative of the fourth generation of famous singers, was born and bred in New York city. She calls all Americans "my people" and herself a loyal and enthusiastic American, notwithstanding the fact that some of her most brilliant artistic and social triumphs have been made in England and continental Europe. And all America is proud of her great artist. In addition to her brilliantly beautiful mezzo-soprano voice, she has notable personal beauty of face and figure, distinguished grace and dignity, and irresistible magnetic charms. Every music lover in Wilmington—yes, every one—for her programme is understood [illegible]sic or urchin alike—should be [illegible] at the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow ev[illegible]

Reserved s[illegible] on sale at Dorsett's book[illegible] $1.50 and $1.00.

A. WETTE[illegible] ARRESTED.

Head of the Ban[illegible] Firm at Nacogdoches Charged With [illegible]olve Forgeries

By Telegr[illegible] orning Star.

HOUSTON, [illegible], January 8.—A Wettermark, head of the banking firm which was forced into liquidation by alleged extensive forgeries, was to-day arrested on his arrival at Houston on a warrant charging him with having received deposits after he knew his bank to be insolvent. The warrant was sworn out at Henderson, where there was a branch house. Photographic descriptions of R. S. Wettermark, junior member of the firm, who is charged with forgery, are being sent all over the country. It is reported that he was in New Orleans last Tuesday on his way to Central America. The paper so far presented for collection which is declared to be forged amounts to $188,896. It is claimed at Nacogdoches that the alleged forgeries will exceed $500,000.

WARM WIRELETS

Lee Stratton, a Southern railway engineer, was shot and killed at Barnett, Ga., thirty miles from Chattanooga, by Bob Nixon, a brakeman. Nixon escaped.

The President yesterday sent the following nominations to the Senate: Postmasters, North Carolina—Ella M. Bailey, Albemarle; Wm. J. Flowers, Mount Olive; Wm. H. Long, Roxboro.

The Fries syndicate has secured an option on the Cawthorn and Estelle cotton mills, located in Selma, Ala., one of the best equipped mills in the South. The option holds good for six months.

Because his brother refused to give him a cigarette paper, Pink Grove, a young man living at Grove Park, Fla., plunged a knife into his brother's chest, killing him instantly. Grove was arrested and is in jail.

It is denied that the plague has appeared at Acapulco or other Mexican ports than Mazatlan. It has been ordered that all ships leaving the port of Mazatlan, shall not stop at any port except where there are sanitary officials to disinfect them.

The $50,000,000 pool formed in December last by J. P. Morgan & Company, the First National Bank, the National City Bank and other large financial institutions of New York, to prevent the threatened money stringency has been dissolved.

Senator McLaurin, of Mississippi, called on Postmaster General Payne yesterday and urged him to re-open the Indianola postoffice. Mr. Payne told him that the case now rested with President Roosevelt who was giving the question careful consideration.

Jos. O. Thompson, recently appointed collector of internal revenue for the District of Alabama, is ill at Washington, D. C., of smallpox. His brother, Representative Chas. W. Thompson, of the Fifth Alabama district, is quarantined in the hotel.

Four hundred of Nebraska's prominent Democrats attended a banquet last night in Omaha in celebration of the anniversary of the victory of Andrew Jackson at New Orleans. William J. Bryan who was to have been present and deliver an address was detained in Oklahoma.

The Senate Committee on Commerce yesterday heard Henry McCall, of Louisiana, who has been nominated for the office of collector of customs at New Orleans, in refutation of the charges made against him. Mr. McCall is a leader of the Lily White faction of the Republican party in the State, and his friends claim that the fight is purely political.

SENATE DEBATED VEST RESOLUTION.

Requesting Finance Committee to Report a Bill Removing Duty on Anthracite Coal.

OPPOSITION BY REPUBLICANS.

Omnibus Statehood Bill Discussed—Protest Against Bill for Retirement of Capt. R. P. Hobson—Defended by Morgan—In the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 8.—To-day the Senate again discussed the Vest resolution, requesting the Finance Committee to prepare and report a bill removing the duty on anthracite coal, and Mr. Aldrich replied to some of the criticisms of Mr. Vest, made last Tuesday. Mr. Aldrich insisted that the resolution would not accomplish the result sought and also that it infringed the constitutional rights of the House in respect to revenue bills. Mr. Aldrich said that a Democratic Senate voted to put a duty of forty cents on coal in 1894, and that they favored free coal except on the day when they could have defeated free coal in the tariff bill. Mr. Aldrich said the high price of coal in the country now was not due to the present tariff.

Mr. Vest, replying, said it was an open secret how the rate of forty cents a ton was put on coal in the Wilson bill. There were five Democratic senators opposed to the bill who were in positions to dictate what should be placed in the bill and that their votes were needed to pass the measure. President Cleveland, he said, had urged free coal on Congress. "We were held up," said Mr. Vest, "to use the plain vernacular, and told if we dared to put free coal in the bill it would be defeated. A compromise, therefore, was effected on the basis of forty cents a ton."

"What does it matter how anybody voted in 1894," he inquired. "Is that an answer to the poor freezing people who now demand immediate relief?" He referred to his former statement that the rates in the Dingley bill were made so high as to render possible the negotiation of reciprocity agreements, and said it was based on information he believed to be true.

Mr. Hale defended Mr. Dingley, saying the statement attributed to him is radically opposed to all his utterances and involved the charge of insincerity.

Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, interrupted to remark that he did not consider that there had been a reflection on Mr. Dingley. The policy of his party, he said, had been exemplified in the reciprocity treaty negotiations and that nothing but the selfish greed of the people whose protection is reduced prevents the ratification of the pending treaties.

"None of us," said Mr. Hale, referring to the alleged interview with Mr. Dingley, "would want our sincerity impugned by somebody five years after our death."

Mr. Tillman, replying to Mr. Hale, said there was no accusation against Mr. Dingley's character or sincerity. The senators who sympathized with the senator from Missouri were not hard up for arguments on the trust question.

"This is certainly put forward now as the one argument," retorted Mr. Hale.

Mr. Tillman said that Congress only had been assembled three weeks and "we have hardly gotten over our Christmas drunks yet."

The Vest resolution went over to come up on the next legislative day.

Mr. Nelson resumed but did not conclude his remarks against the Omnibus Statehood bill.

The Senate adjourned until Monday.

Capt. Hobson's Case.

In the Senate to-day the bill providing for the retirement of Capt. Richmond P. Hobson was called up and brought forth a protest from Cockrell of Missouri who thought that Congress should not be made a court of appeals to hear applications from officers after they had been declared fit for active service.

Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, characterized it as an exceptional case and said he did not intend that Captain Hobson's reputation or character shall be damaged by any objection made against him.

With some warmth Mr. Cockrell said he did not impeach Captain Hobson's character and the Senator from Alabama could not twist his argument in that manner.

"The Senator from Alabama is not in the habit of twisting," retorted Mr. Morgan. "He is as straight as a die; as as straight as you are."

Mr. Morgan gave notice that he would continue to call the bill up until justice is accorded to Captain Hobson.

The Senate to-day passed the bill to settle and compromise certain litigation pending in the circuit court for the western district of North Carolina, in which the eastern band of Cherokee Indians are involved.

House of Representatives.

The House to-day passed the Philippine constabulary bill as it was reported from the committee, except for an amendment limiting the number of assistant chiefs to four. The bill provides that the chief of the constabulary and the assistant chiefs, who are United States army officers, shall have the rank, pay and allowances of a brigadier general and colonel, respectively, the difference between such pay and their pay in the regular grades to be paid out of the Philippine treasury. The bill also provides that when the Philippine scouts are ordered to assist the constabulary they shall be under the command of the chief or assistant chiefs.

Mr. Maddox, of Georgia, opposed the bill and said in the face of the request of the Secretary of War yesterday for $3,000,000 for the relief of the people of the Philippines, it was wrong to increase the pay of army officers at the expense of the Filipinos. He thought there must be plenty of generals in the army who could be detailed for this duty if higher rank was necessary. "There is General Funston," said he. "He would make an elegant chief of police. (Laughter). If colonels are needed the woods are full of them."

An amendment offered by Mr. Jones, of Virginia, to limit the number of assistant chiefs under the bill to four was adopted.

The resignation of Mr. Lanham, of Texas, who has been elected Governor of Texas, was laid before the House. The resignation is to take effect January 15th.

Anti-Trust Bill.

The sub-committee of the House Judiciary Committee, of which Representative Littlefield is chairman and which is preparing an anti-trust bill, agreed to-day to make a favorable report to the full committee, which meets to-morrow, on the bill introduced by Littlefield in accordance with the suggestion of Attorney General Knox, to expedite the hearing and determining of suits in equity or hereafter brought under the Sherman anti-trust law. This will be urged as an independent measure.

The sub-committee made considerable progress to-day, but will not be able to report an anti-trust measure to the full committee until Monday, as there is considerable work yet to be done in completing the rough draft of a bill upon which they now are at work.

At 4:35 the House adjourned.

Senator Elkins, who was one of the leaders in opposition to the bill for a Cuban treaty in the last session of Congress, says he will heartily support the pending Cuban treaty.

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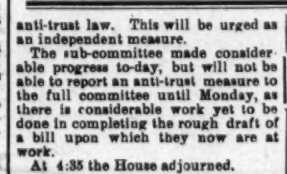

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